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Cookie-ing u Duckett's exit?

Stelmach says he found Alberta Health System CEO Stephen Duckett's brushing off the media over a cookie 'offensive' AHS board may meet ahead of schedule

The premier has hinted that he's losing patience with the man charged with running the province's health-care system as the issue of long emergency room waits continues to dog his government.

Ed Stelmach said yesterday in the legislature that he found it offensive when AHS CEO Stephen Duckett brushed off reporters last Friday, saying he was busy eating a cookie.

"I found the comments last Friday quite offensive," Stelmach said. "In fact, all Albertans found them offensive."

Stelmach was later asked by reporters if he had given any direction to the board responsible for hiring and firing Duckett.

He responded that Duckett's fate rests with the board, but added that his use of the word "offensive" sends "a pretty strong message.

Stelmach also clarified vesterday why the Conservative caucus suspended Edmonton MLA and emergency room doctor Raj Sherman, who has been critical about the government's handling of long wait

Identifying problems is one thing, but Stelmach said Sherman crossed the line when he criticized fellow caucus members. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Rider. Nation ▶ Saskatchewan Roughriders running back Stuart Foord signs an autograph for a fan at the airport yesterday. More coverage, pages 3, 4.

Roughriders ride into town for the Grey Cup

Eskimos player due in court

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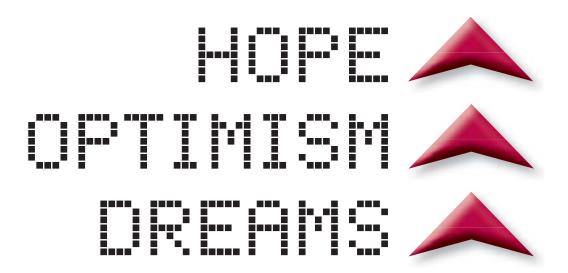


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Roughriders get warm welcome

Sparkly wigs and waving flags marked classic Roughrider fans as they cheered and shouted out to their favourite team yesterday at the Edmonton International Airport.

The team arrived in the late afternoon to a loud welcome, foreshadowing this weekend's event roster.

"I'm excited to see my team, to cheer them on as they come in, to welcome them," said Kelsey Baker, a waiting fan. Kelsey's dad Byron had one thing to say to his team and that was "go, go, go Riders!" cheered Baker.

go Riders!" cheered Baker.

The players stopped to chat with fans and sign autographs, even videotaping their Edmonton welcoming committee.

"We're back to where we were last year and we're back to finish what we started," said defensive back Tad Kornegay.

"We have a good feeling," said Jim Hopson, pres-

ident and chief executive officer of the Roughriders.

"We know these guys are thinking like we are but we're starting to feel like a team of destiny a bit and as long as we can bring it out early and not get too far in the hole ... I think we'll be fine."

ASPEN ZETTEL



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Eskies lineman hit with assault charge

▶ Braidwood will appear in Stony Plain Provincial Court today ◆ He has been released on cash bail



An Edmonton Eskimo is among three men facing aggravated assault charges following an incident in Spruce Grove Friday.

Lineman Adam Braidwood, 26, has been charged with forcible confinement and aggravated assault.

Police were called to a southeast area of Spruce Grove when a witness saw a male being forced into the trunk of a car by multiple people.

RCMP located the suspect vehicle on Range Road 272, north of Township Road 520.

Four males were found on scene, two inside the vehicle and two outside.

One of the males standing outside the vehicle was

Statistics

- Braidwood had 13 tackles for the Esks this past season.
- He has played five seasons in the CFL, all for Edmonton.

shirtless and appeared to have significant injuries to his arms and legs.

The injured 20-year-old Spruce Grove man was transported to an Edmonton hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

The three remaining males were arrested and charged.

Eskimos general manager Eric Tillman released a statement upon hearing of Braidwood's charges.

"Spruce Grove/Stony Plain RCMP notified the club of the charges against



Adam Braidwood. As the matter is now before the

courts, the club will not offer further comment until

the legal process has concluded," said Tillman.

Hectic morning for fire crews

Fire crews were busy yesterday morning with a couple of fires throughout the city.

No one was injured when a blaze destroyed two suites on the top floor of a downtown apartment building.

Residents of the Valhalla apartments at 99 Avenue and 113 Street were evacuated from the 16-storey building to a nearby church.

Crews quickly put out the blaze and some residents of the building were allowed back in shortly after.

Also yesterday morning around 7 a.m., crews battled a blaze at a Fabric Care Cleaners at 108th Avenue and 175th Street.

No injuries were reported. The cause of these blazes is yet to be determined.

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News in brief

Martin and co. claim award

curling. The Kevin Martin curling rink were among more than 100 Edmontonians honoured Monday night with Salute to Excellence Citation and Performance Awards.

The awards honour commitments in volunteering or outstanding

performance in the fields of arts and culture, community service and sports. • METRO

Local faces six counts of arson

CRIME. Zeidan Salem (Jack) Ammar, 65, will appear in St. Paul Provincial Court in mid-January for allegedly destroying the Hansen Hotel in which he previously leased space last May.

Security costs behind Expo decision, Ambrose says

No chance of a Canadian bid for 2017 fair being revived: Minister

Canada's public works minister says high security costs at two major events in the country this year were behind a federal decision not to put money toward Edmonton's bid to host the 2017 world's fair.

"(With) the lessons we've learned from the G8/G20 (summits) and the (Vancouver) Olympics, we made the decision that this was not something we wanted to move forward on," Rona Ambrose, who is also the MP for Edmonton-Sprice Grove, said yester-

Federal Heritage Minister James Moore rejected a funding request from the city in a letter to Mayor Stephen Mandel that was made public on Monday.

"We looked at this in

terms of its full potential cost, and I'm telling you that the cost of securing a 90-day event in northern Alberta with oilsands infrastructure around the corner is not a low-risk cost," said Ambrose.

"(It was) based on the notion that even one threat to oilsands infrastructure or one threat to the venue, the public or a VIP could escalate these costs up to a billion dol-

Ambrose rejected Mandel's angry suggestions that she and her colleagues didn't work hard enough to get the bid through. The mayor and I have always had a very productive relationship and I hope to continue to have a productive relationship with the



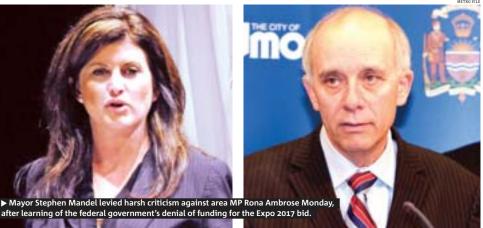
mayor," she said. "I understand his disappointment. I myself and all of my colin Edmonton worked very hard to find a way to make this work, but at the end of the day the

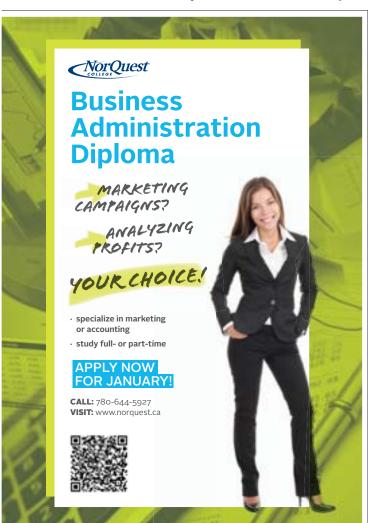
costs associated with this event were prohibitive.

Public Safety Minister Vic Toews spelled out his concerns to Moore in a letter dated Nov 20 "I am not comfortable with the conclusion that securing the venue in Edmonton can be done for the \$80 to \$100 million I am told it will cost," the letter says.

Toews pointed out that Vancouver's security costs

during the Winter Games last February spiralled from \$125 million to nearly \$1 billion. The summits in Ontario in June experienced similar increases, he said. THE CANADIAN PRESS





News in brief



Woman hurt after car breaks through wall of building

INJURIES. One woman is in serious condition in hospital after being pinned by a car vesterday.

The woman was pinned underneath a vehicle after a vehicle skidded through the wall of the building she was in.

A two-vehicle collision at the intersection of 41 Avenue and 97 Street began the string of events.

One of the vehicles went out of control and struck the building. Police continue to in-

vestigate.

Three charged for running bawdy house

southwest. One man and two women were charged yesterday for operating a bawdy house in Southwest Edmonton.

Last Wednesday's search warrant of the home on the 400 block of 119 Street capped a fivemonth investigation that began from tips from concerned neighbours.

Paul Ngai, 47, Mik Young Park, 35, and Shuk Fair Yu, 39, have been charged with keeping a bawdy house, living off the avails of prostitution and possession of the proceeds of crime. • METRO

Leduc may ban smoking in cars with kids

LAW. The City of Leduc is considering passing a bylaw that would prohibit smoking in a vehicle

when a minor is present. If adopted, the ban would carry \$100 fines for first-time offenders and \$200 for repeat offences. Outside of Alberta,

Quebec and Newfoundland and Labrador are the only other provinces that don't have a similar provincewide ban. • metro

CFL mania touches down today in Edmonton

Football fever strikes Edmonton today as official Grey Cup festivities kick

Huddle Town will open to the public in Churchill Square, with a huge party to mark the event. The free event starts at 5:30 p.m. at city hall.

Fans can participate in a number of events, ranging from entertainment on the Sirius Satellite Radio Stage, the CN Field, the Capital Power Zipline, the EPCOR Huddle Dome, and tons of other attractions.

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Obama drops the gauntlet as Koreas face off

• 'We strongly affirm our commitment to defend South Korea' ● North warns of more military strikes

U.S. President Barack Obama yesterday pledged the United States would defend South Korea after what the White House branded an outrageous attack by North Korea.

"South Korea is our ally. It has been since the Korean war," Obama said in his first comments about the North Korean shelling of a South Korean island.

"And we strongly affirm our commitment to defend South Korea as part of that alliance."

Obama met with his top national security advisers to discuss next steps.

North and South Korea exchanged artillery fire yesterday along their dis-

PM speaks out

Prime Minister Stephen Harper "strongly condemned" the attack, calling it "the latest in a series of aggressive and provocative actions" by the communist dictatorship.

puted frontier, raising tensions between the rivals to their highest level in more than a decade.

The communist nation warned of more military strikes if the South encroaches on the maritime border by "even 0.001 mil-

limetre."

Working to head off any escalation, the U.S. did not reposition any of its 29,000 troops in the South or make other military moves.

The emergency began when North Korea warned the South to halt military drills near their sea border.

When Seoul refused and began firing artillery into disputed waters — but away from the North Korean shore — the North Koreanillated by shelling the small island of Yeonpyeong, which houses South Korean military installations and a small civilian population.

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A nation weeps for its dead

Rescuers trawled a muddy river in Cambodia for more bodies yesterday and the country prepared for a day of mourning tomorrow following a stampede by thousands of festival-goers that left at least 378 people dead and hundreds injured. Cambodia's prime minister called it the nation's biggest tragedy since the murderous 1970s reign of the Khmer Rouge that left 1.7 million dead.

29 Rescuers began sampling gas rising from the drill hole near where some miners were working. A total of 29 are missing.

Drill deep in mine

Rescuers have drilled through to the main tunnel at the New Zealand coal mine where 29 miners were caught in an explosion. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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◆ Unemployment negatively impacts happiness, study finds ◆ Rural residents have deeper sense of belonging

A new study of life satisfaction in Canada finds that among the provinces, Prince Edward Island takes the happiness crown

The study, released yesterday by the Centre for the Study of Living Standards, found that on a scale of one to five, the average level of happiness among Canadians aged 20 and over was 4.26 in 2007-08.

At the provincial level, life satisfaction was highest in P.E.I., at 4.33, and lowest in Ontario, at 4.23.

Andrew Sharpe, the centre's executive director, said P.E.I. had a number of factors going in its favour that resulted in a slightly higher level of happiness than the national average.

Glad to be here?

Breaking down Canada's major cities on a happiness scale of one to five.

- ➤ Calgary 4.33 ➤ Halifax — 4.32
- Ottawa/Gatineau 4.29
- ► Edmonton 4.26 ► Montreal — 4.26
- ► Vancouver 4.20
- ► Toronto 4.15

These included a strong sense of community belonging, less stress and fewer recent immigrants.

"We all know that (immigrants) suffer from high unemployment or they often are underem-

ployed or they basically are out of the labour force completely because they've just given up," Sharpe said.

While happier in general, individuals with higher incomes do not necessarily have more joy in their lives.

"If all your co-workers get a raise and you don't, you're not going to be as happy, whereas if you basically suffer a decline in income, your boss cuts your wages but he cuts everyone else's wages (so) that they're about the same, there's no real difference," Sharpe said.

The study was based on data gathered by the Canadian Community Health Survey from Statistics Canada.

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Young men new poster kids for poverty: Study

Lack of access to benefits, new jobs, housing all playing a role

The recession has left a lingering bruise on an increasingly vulnerable sector of Canadian society: young, single men.

John Stapleton, a social policy researcher has just completed an exhaustive study of social assistance during the recession, for the Mowat Centre for Policy Innovation.

Stapleton has sifted through welfare data from five provinces representing 79 per cent of the country's population, and found that the recession revealed two key has trends.

good news, he The writes in his draft paper, is that federal and provincial programs for families have helped single mothers deal with poverty.

The opposite is true for young, single men. In

Welfare woes

According to John Stapleton's study...

- Many of the young men relying on welfare are visible minorities, who often have low levels of education and trouble with business English and numeracy.
- Typically, their welfare payments are about a third of what they would be paid if they had a steady minimum-wage job, putting them far below the poverty line.

Ontario, the number in this group on welfare has risen 61 per cent in nine years, to 148,000 from 92,000.

Similar increases were found in British Columbia, and Quebec, among other provinces. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Trade labour for lunch

Cafe 180 is a restaurant that allows its customers to pay whatever they can afford, or even volunteer to work in exchange for food. The cafe, which opened in August, is one of several such restaurants that have opened around the U.S. in recent years.

Christmas brings glad sales tidings

North American consumers are showing signs of emerging from hibernation in time for Christmas. pushing up inflation in Canada to a new two-year high and improving growth prospects for both economies.

Canada's inflation rate rose a surprising halfpoint to 2.5 per cent in October. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Shopping spree

In conjunction with price firmness. Statistics Canada also reported yesterday that retail sales jumped 0.6 per cent in September as consumers bought more cars and spent more on sporting goods, clothing, books and music.

iPhone app for film huffs

Movie-goers can soon use their smartphone to buy tickets for a flick at a Cineplex Entertainment theatre. Starting today, apps for the BlackBerry and iPhone can search for nearby theatres, call up movie schedules and purchase tickets.

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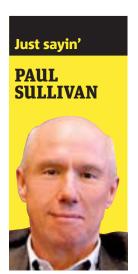
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Oxford University scientists

Oxford University scientists studied the brains of 500 species of mammals, both alive and extinct, going back 60 million years, and discovered that the brains of social animals such as monkeys, horses, dolphins, camels, and dogs have grown faster than the brains of solitary mammals, like deer, rhinos ... and cats.

They appear to have a lot of time on their hands at Oxford

University.

Of course, if you're a cat, you won't care. You'll just stare that cat stare, then walk away

refusing to return until somebody feeds you. It doesn't matter who, as long as it's your favourite food. And only your favourite food.

If you're a dog, you'll jump up and down, and by wagging your tail and barking, you'll signal your enthusiastic assent to anything humans

come up with, even pointy-headed Oxford scientists, as long as it involves going out and chasing something. It's also good if it involves snacks. It doesn't seem to matter if you're a dog or a cat or a camel, for that matter, snacks are good. You should know I'm a dog

"Of course, if

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The 3rd I

person. Oh, and I'm also a cat person. I'm pretty good on monkeys, horses, dolphins, and deer, too, but I draw the line at rhinos. My house is a rhino-free zone. We don't allow camels, either.

Seriously, why does it matter? My grand-dog Shorty is an English bulldog, and on that

list of canine intelligence, English bulldogs rank No. 104 out of 108 breeds. Yet, we all love Shorty, who makes up for his lack of RAM by being the most single-minded animal in the household. He can have hours of endless fun pulling at the other end of anything in his jaws. And because he's bred to pull down 1,500-pound raging bovines, he always wins. But he still wants to play and will still want to play at 3:30 tomorrow morning.

You have to admire his complete dedication, even when you're begging for relief. This debate will never be

This debate will never be resolved, as most people have documentary evidence that Fluffy the Cat or Bailey the Dog is smarter than your average Oxford University scientist.

And like Shorty, they never get tired of playing the game.



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YOUR SHIFT ON CONDOMS TAKES THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OUT OF THE DARK AGES.



Worth mentioning

A New York University arts professor might not have eyes in the back of his head, but he's coming pretty close.

Wafaa Bilal, a visual artist widely recognized for his interactive and performance pieces, had a small digital camera implanted in the back of his head — all in the name of art. He will wear the camera for one year.

Bilal said yesterday that he underwent the procedure for an art project that was commissioned by a new museum in Doha, Qatar, in the Persian Gulf.

Titled The 3rd I, it is one of 23 contemporary works commissioned for



the opening of the Mathaf: Arab Museum of Modern Art on Dec. 30. The exhibition is entitled Told/Untold/Retold.

The project will raise "important social, esthetic, political, technological and artistic questions," Bilal said.

He declined to say when the camera was implanted or other details of the art installation, saying it "will be revealed to the public as part of the museum preview on Dec. 15" and on a website to be launched on the same day, www.3rdi.me. He said he chose to have it put in the back of his head as an allegorical statement about the things we don't see and leave behind.

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Metro Minute with running group

The leadup to the holidays is a busy time. But if you're looking to meet some new people, support a good cause and get some fresh air and exercise, then you'll be able to achieve all at once.

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Pink celebrates her greatest hits

◆ Amid news of impending motherhood, Pink releases a retrospective greatest hits CD ◆ Says being a mom won't stop her from touring

While Pink's impending motherhood is garnering her plenty of ink, she's got something else to celebrate - 10 years in the mu-

sic business.

The 31-year-old singer recently released Greatest Hits ... So Far!!! that chronicles her growth from a potent, big-voiced R&B star to dynamic pop singer and

performer.
It comes after a year in which she has gotten the most acclaim of her career, including raves for her acrobatic, levitating performance at this year's Grammy Awards.

How does it feel to release a retrospective at this point in your career?

I definitely had mixed feelings. (Laughs.) You know what? I'm happier now than I was when it was first being talked about. I had been putting it off for years, although that sounds pretty funny. I don't feel old enough, I guess.

What made you decide to finally do it?

At the end of the day, when I get out of my own way, which is what I had to do, it's something to really be proud of, because when I was a little girl, all I

"As soon as the baby can say 'mama', I'm going on the road."

wanted to do was make one hit record. To be able to put out an album full of them is pretty damn special.

Over the last year, you've gotten more acclaim. What's your reaction?

I've been busting my (butt) in Europe and Australia and pretty much everywhere else outside of this country for 10 years playing stadiums and arenas... and then you come here and play clubs, which is kinda rad because I live here and I like being left alone.

But also to constantly still be hearing people go, "Wow, she can really sing." ... I don't know, it's a constant battle, but it keeps me motivated, and the Grammys was that moment where I felt like finally I had been given my due a little bit.

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Brody lawsuit



A federal judge in Los Angeles has blocked the makers of a thriller film starring Adrien Brody from using the Oscar-winning actor's likeness until he is fully paid for his role. U.S. District Judge Dale S. Fischer issued a ruling this week blocking the makers of Giallo from continuing to distribute, market or sell Giallo in the United States. Brody sued last month before the film went on sale in the states, claiming he was owed \$640,000 US.



Australia drops criminal investiga tion against actor Paul Hogan over tax

Portman puts her spin on film

● Ballet is a 'devotional, ritualistic art, which you can relate to as an actor,' says Portman ● Actress always wanted to do a film about dance



Sometimes playing a ballet dancer on screen can require just as much practice, dedication and pain as actually being a ballet dancer, as Natalie Portman found out when she took on the lead role in Darren Aronofsky's darkly beautiful Black Swan.

To play a perfectionist New York dancer running herself ragged for the lead role in Swan Lake, Portman began training a full year before filming began, with five hours of work a day — including three hours of ballet class.

"The physical discipline really helped the emotional

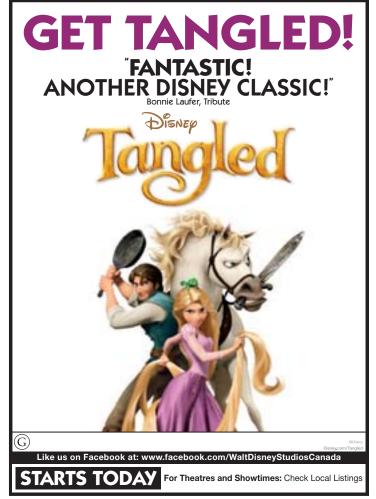
side of the character, because you get the sense of this monastic lifestyle of only working out, which is a dancer's life," she says. "You don't drink, you don't go out with your friends, you don't have much food, you are constantly putting your body through extreme pain. You get the understanding of the self-flagellation of a ballet dancer."

"I guess I always idealized it, as most young girls do, as this beautiful art, this expression without words."

NATALIE PORTMAN, ON DANCE









Performance fit for a king or an Oscar?

Academy Awards voters love a great performance as a British monarch. And they love a great performance embodying a disabili-

Colin Firth, who earned his first Oscar nomination for last year's A Single Man, this season delivers on both counts in The King's Speech, playing King George VI as he reluctantly ascends to the throne amid a lifelong battle to overcome a debilitating stammer.

Often playing glib characters with a biting acters with a biting tongue, as he did in the biting Bridget Jones romances and the comedy Easy Virtue, Firth is the utter opposite of eloquent as George VI, father of Queen Elizabeth II, who was known by his given name Albert, or Bertie, to his family.

"I suppose I wasn't looking to undermine my eloquence, such as it may be, or to interfere with my own ability to complete a sentence," Firth, 50, said in an interview at September's Toronto International Film Festival, where The King's Speech played ahead of its theatrical release Friday.

"What fascinated me is what is in that stammer that tells us about what he's going through," Firth "Those silences that Bertie finds himself in when he hits one of those



"We didn't realize it was a comedy as well as a drama. We had no idea people enjoyed it on so many levels." COLIN FIRTH, SPEAKING ABOUT THE KING'S SPEECH

blocks are a positive abyss, and they may only last a second or two, but they probably feel like an eter-

Though early critics prizes and the season's first big film nominations are weeks away, The King's Speech has buzz as a potential front-runner across the board at the Oscars.

Along with Firth, who could emerge as the bestactor favourite, the film has strong acting prospects for Helena Bonacting ham Carter as Bertie's wife, Queen Elizabeth, and Geoffrey Rush as his wily speech therapist.

Audiences have adored The King's Speech on the festival circuit, where its awards include the prize being the favourite film at Toronto. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Burlesque

Director: Steve Antin Genre: Musical

Stars: Christina Aguilera, Cher, Eric Dane, Kristen Bell, Alan

The thing about Burlesque is that it's not quite good enough, and it's not quite bad enough. When you're going for a glitzy backstage showbiz flick, you've got Cabaret on one end and Showgirls on the other. Burlesque lands somewhere in between -

Love and Other Drugs Director: Edward Zwick

and awkwardly at that. And

Genre: Romantic Comedy Stars: Jake Gyllenhaal Anne Hathaway, Oliver Platt

A slick talking and morally compromised drug rep specializing in Viagra falls for a flashy, colourful, bigbudget musical, it's really, really boring. The real problem is the story, which is so sugar-coated and warm and fuzzy that even the villain (Eric Dane) and the prickly diva-in-chief (Kristen Bell) aren't really so bad. In the end, given the big musical numbers and thorough lack of conflict, riskiness or teeth, the primary audience that will likely fully embrace Burlesque is theater-happy middle-schoolers. NED EHRBAR

for a sassy young artist with Parkinson's Disease.

Impossibly snappy dialogue, dirty jokes, gratuitous nudity, and disease-of-the-week sentimentalism combine for an extraordinarily awkward blend that feels

like the screenplays for three different failed romcoms jammed together into a single outing. Fans of the tired genre might get something out of it, but civilians should stay far away.

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Tanaled

Directors: Nathan Greno, Bryan Howard

Stars: Mandy Moore, Zachary Levi, Donna Murphy **@@@**

There's something unold-fashioned deniably about the latest Disney animated feature and thankfully that's a good thing. Tangled is a heartwarming return to fairy tales for Disney with a ČGI sheen supervised by Pixar's John Lasseter

There is a liberal dose of Shrek-era irony and sass that can get a little grating, but overall a focus on simple storytelling prevails

and fortunately never devolves into the mess of last year's The Princess And The Frog. A solid dose of comic relief led by a hilarious sword-wielding horse keeps the script feeling fresh amidst the admitted ly predictable fairy tale structure

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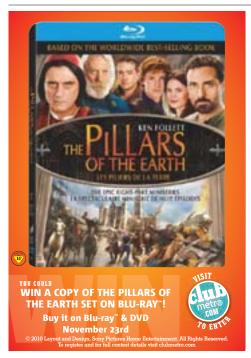
Faster

Genre: Action

Director: George Tillman Jr. Stars: Dwayne Johnson

Given its cars-and-guns theme and the fact that it stars Dwayne Johnson, Faster feels like it should be a lot more fun than it is. That's not to say it isn't still something of a good time. But George Tillman Jr.'s high-octane revenge tale is surprisingly dour, with a lot more talk about morality and mortality than you'd expect from your average muscled action flick

There are some impressive car chases and tense shoot-outs, but the film's pervading somberness makes it tough to get into. And really, whose idea was it to cast Johnson as the lead in a film and not even have him crack a smile once? • NED EHRBAR







And the royal wédding date is...

• Couple will marry in spring

Prince William and Kate Middleton have finally set a date for their royal wedding extravaganza.

The royal couple will marry on April 29, 2011 in London's Westminster Ab-

The date has even been declared a bank holiday in celebration.

The announcement was made on the royal family's

official Twitter account. Meanwhile, Prince Haris reportedly planning the couple's engagement

Sources tell the Mirror it ill have a "hip-hop

"The party will be lowkey but fun with mini-burgers and fish and chips. They'll do a formal party with their family, too, but this one is for the cool

Snoop Dogg is reportedly in talks to perform at the party.
Prince William will mar-

ry in the same month as his father. • METRO



Amazing Race winner's story coming to big screen



Reichen Lehmkuhl's memoir, Here's What We'll Say: Growing Up, Coming Out and the US Air Force, is being adapted into a film, according to Page Six.

The script isn't finished yet, but producers are reportedly already talking casting, with Chace Craw-

Celebrity tweets



Steve Mar-(A)SteveMartinToGo] I feel sorry for followers who just joined.



Katy Perry [@katyperry] Silly press check it: I was the one who asked VH1 to tone down my DIGITALIZED

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profanity when you talk about art and fashion it's better accept-

Talking points

Sheen suing

Charlie Sheen is suing Capri Anderson, claiming she tried to extort up to \$1-million out of him after his raucous night at a New York hotel last month. according to TMZ Sheen's suit claims that Anderson also stole his \$165,000 watch.

Woods looks for love

With the one-year anniversary of the fight that ended his marriage, Tiger Woods is feeling down and looking for love, according to Hollyscoop. "Tiger's feeling lonely," a source says. "He hopes

very popular with teens. sidelined for the

Gossip Girl star Taylor

Momsen's on-set behav-

iour has reportedly gotten

so unpleasant that the

young actress has been placed on indefinite hiatus

from the series, which is

Momsen's behaviour lands her off show

wood.



With Eva Longoria getting ready to head to court to Tony Parker, sources close to her say the star's only regret is not ending things sooner, according to Popeater.

Momsen also isn't expect-

ed to appear on the show

again this season following

next week's episode, ac-

cording to Deadline Holly-

Her character was al-

What really happened?

A Kate Gosselin exclusive.

"Just five months into their marriage, reports of Tony's infidelity spread like wildfire, but Eva chose to listen to her heart and not her head," says a source

"She stood by her man, believing in the institution of marriage." metro



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ice cream sales in Dominican Reublic help improve conditions for rare sonebird. ◆ The acclaimed novel Barney's Version is set to make its big screen debut in December
 ◆ The story is set in the author's hometown of Montreal, where you can retrace the steps of the main character — which often overlapped those of Richler





Mordecai Richler's visions of **Montreal...**

Up for a little literary tourism? Walk a mile in Barney Panofsky's shoes.

He's the main character in Mordecai Richler's acclaimed novel Barney's Version, which hits the big screen on Christmas Eve.

screen on Christmas Eve. And here's the good news: If you want to follow in the footsteps of Richler himself, Panofsky's haunts overlap with those of the award-winning, best-selling Canadian literary icon.

Barney's Version, which will see Paul Giamatti in the title role, is also set in Europe and New York.

But there's also plenty of action in Montreal, which happens to be Richler's hometown.

In fact, if you do the pub crawl to Richler's (and Panofsky's) favourite bars maybe you'll hear a tidbit about the internationally famous author.

Margo MacGillivray slings drinks behind the bar at the Sir Winston Churchill Pub on Crescent Street where Richler, and Panofsky, were fixtures.

"He included us in Barney's Version and he quoted a few of the regulars," she said.

Across the street is Ziggy's Pub, which is referred to as Richler's second living room.

It's a spot where he often met his agent.

"He came up with a few ideas here," says owner Ziggy Eichenbaum.

"He used to enjoy smoked meat sandwiches from Schwartz's and we got it delivered by a cab. Another bar, Grumpy's, is a block over and figures prominently in the movie.

Panofsky hung out there and Richler shared a celebratory scotch with Robert Lantos, who produced Barney's Version, when they got honourary doctorates from McGill University in 2000.

"We used streets like Sherbrooke Street and Mountain Street and Grumpy's, which was Mordecai's favourite bar," Lantos recalled.

"The landmarks were really important to give the film authenticity and a sense of reality."

Le Mas des Oliviers was one of Richler's favourite restaurants, recalls William Weintraub, an author and journalist who was Richler's friend for 50 years.

The bar strip lies a walk from the home of Panofsky and Richler on Sherbrooke Street. Both men lived behind

Both men lived behind the imposing walls of Le Chateau apartments, which looks like fort.

It sits across the street from the posh Ritz-Carlton hotel, which provided a key scene in Barney's Version and was regular hangout for Richler, especially when he lived across the stree from it.

"Mordecai is famous for having gone there all the time and having lunch with his wife and others," said Ari Lantos, who is a producer on Barney's Version.

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If you go

Visit these Barney's Version locations:

- Sir Winston Churchill Pub Complex: 1455-1459 Crescent St.
- Grumpy's Bar: 1242 Rue Bishop
- Ziggy's Pub: 1470 Rue Crescent
- Ritz-Carlton Montreal: 1228 Sherbrooke St. W.
- Le Mas des Oliviers Resaurant: 1216 Bishop St.
- Schwart'z: 3895 Saint-Laurent Blvd.
- Moishe's Steak House: 3961 St-Laurent Blvd.
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Google now has bike maps

Bikers can check out the best route online, with detailed info on nine major cities

Cycling enthusiasts across Canada will soon be able to turn to Google for help with their next urban bike expedition.

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The online information giant announced this week that it is introducing a Bike Directions feature to its popular Google Maps site, allowing users to highlight bike-friendly trails and roads across most major Canadian cities.

Google spokeswoman Wendy Rozeluk said the feature will be available countrywide, but more de-tailed route info will be available for nine major cities that shared their bike trail data with the compa-

ny. The cities are Ottawa, Gatineau, Que., Toronto, Waterloo, Ont. Winnipeg, Edmonton, Calgary, Van-



couver and Kelowna, B.C.

Users in those cities will be able to flag designated bike trails and select roads that feature bike-only lanes, while Canadians elsewhere will only be shown routes with lighter traffic volumes.

The Bike Directions feature will be officially launched later this week, Rozeluk said.

Bike Directions, which has been available in the United States since March, uses colour coding to flag routes that are safe for cyclists.

A dark green line indicates a bike-only trail, while a light green line represents a dedicated bike lane along a road, Google said.

Users also have the op-









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"Why don't we think outside the box (no pizza pun intended) and do something a bit different?" says Adrian Niman, chef and owner of the Food Dudes, a Toronto catering company whose staff are all under 28.

"I would get away from the traditional stuff," says the 26-year-old, who also owns the firm.

He studied food and hospitality at the University of Guelph and then

trained at Toronto's North 44 Restaurant under celebrity chef Mark McEwan. Niman travelled to Mallorca, Spain, where he apprenticed under Michelin Star chef Marc Fosh at the luxurious Reads Hotel.

He says he does think chili would be marvellous to serve football fans as well as "a lobster quesadilla and carrot chips instead of potato chips".

Niman says that he and his staff are finding that many of their clients are shying away from eating red meat, so his firm is incorporating sustainable fish and shellfish into many of their offerings.

On game day, he is hosting a Grey Cup party at his Toronto condo for all his staff. "I am going to cook and let them take the day off and enjoy the game," he says. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Preparation:

- In a bowl, combine 250 ml (1 cup) of the cheese. bacon, yogurt, sour cream, chopped green onions, corn starch, mustard and pepper. Spread into a shallow 1-l (4-cup) baking dish, smoothing top. (Can be covered and refrigerated for up to 1 day.)
- Preheat oven to 180 C (350 F). Bake dip, uncovered, for 15 to 20 minutes or until hot and bubbling around edges. Stir and sprinkle with re maining cheese. Broil



for about 3 minutes or until top is golden. Sprinkle with sliced green onions, if using.

Place dish on a platter and surround with potato wedges, vegetables, chips and/or pretzels for dipping. Makes 500 ml (2 cups).

Ingredients:

(Be sure yogurt and sour cream don't contain gelatin as they may separate when heated)

- 325 ml (1 1/3 cups) shredded old cheddar or aged gouda cheese, divided
- 3 slices bacon, cooked crisp and finely chopped (plus extra for garnish, if
- 250 ml (1 cup) plain yo-

- 125 ml (1/2 cup) sour cream (not fat-free)
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) finely
- chopped green onions • 30 ml (2 tbsp) cornstarch
- 5 ml (1 tsp) Dijon or dry mustard
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) pepper
- Thinly sliced green onions (optional)
- Oven-baked potato wedges, raw vegetable pieces, potato chips, pretzels



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Sesame Street uses nutrition to fight hunger

C is for cookie. And N is for nutrition.

The folks at Sesame Street are hoping to spell out a message of eating well with a new initiative aimed at fighting hunger.

The program, Food for Thought: Eating Well on a Budget, is being put to-gether by Sesame Workthe non-profit shop, organization behind Sesame Street

It's aimed at the 15 per cent of households in the U.S — accounting for approximately 9 million children — who don't get food that meets basic nutritional needs due to financial instability.

"We found there were really very few resources engaging young children and helping them engage not only in healthy habits but also in knowing that as a family they're not alone in this," said Jeanette Betancourt, vice-president of content design for the education, research and outreach department Sesame Workshop.

The program provides families with an educa-tional outreach kit which includes a video featuring four new Muppets, the Super foods - banana, cheese, whole-grain roll and broc-

The video also features Elmo and friends, plus real families, as they try new foods, learn about healthy snacks and discover the

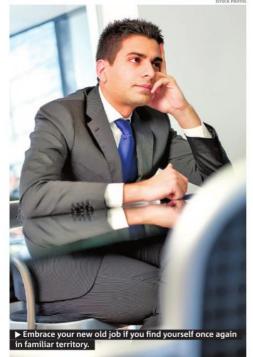
importance of sharing a meal together.

And, of course, the broccoli knows how to boogie.

"All our super foods actually sing and dance and encourage the kids and Elmo to try new foods and try new snacks, to eat healthier," said Betan-court. The food Muppets aren't joining the official Sesame Street cast, but they will be featured on a December show.

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Falling back into old habits



▶ Relearning the tedium of an old job can test the patience of the best employees ▶ What to do if you find yourself in familiar surroundings



The most bewildering new job can be the old one — that front office welcome desk or highway hamburger stand you swore you'd never circle back to.

Tough times have a way of kicking ambitious young upstarts back to a re-entry level job at Square One, Inc.

What quicker way to nab rent, or relearn the tedium of a past existence?

Still, though career counselors concede how that déjà vu can be disorienting, it need not be devastating.

"When you go back to a previously held job, you can feel stuck, like, 'I can't seem to get out of here,'" says Barbara Frankel, a New York City-based Career Coach.

"But you have to put

Consider your co-workers

Put a plan in place Before you backtrack to the place you once called work, reminisce on the people, pests, and petty tyrants you shared the space with. "If you had a good relationship before, you're going to get along well this time," Mistal notes, adding that, obviously, the reverse is true.

your feelings aside."

Start by emotionally investing yourself in the alltoo-familiar drab right from Day One. "Rather than saying to

"Rather than saying to yourself, 'I'm better than this,' have pride in a job well done," says Maggie Mistal, host of Making a Living on Sirius Radio. "That's a lost art. You get something from it, even if the job itself doesn't have much power or status in it."

That said, settling into a pre-worn desk chair doesn't mean settling for it. If you don't re-think your long-term choices, you could trap yourself in a career loop.

"You have to know what your end goal is," Frankel emphasizes.

Once you've set some ambitions down, go for it — even if that requires moonlighting interning or studying on precious off hours.

"Stay career relevant by taking classes, networking, and continuing to job search in your field," Mistal encourages.

"You might also want to start a side business that does showcase your ex"Rather than saying to yourself, 'I'm better than this,' have pride in a job well done. That's a lost art. You get something from it, even if the job itself doesn't have much power or status in it."

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pertise."

For strivers stuck in a career loop — re-rehearsing rote motions from a drab past life — there's no side hustle quite like free-lancing, she says.

"Having freelance work on your résumé will look better than a backwards career move," she says

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fired for Facebook
comments they posted
about their employer, in
an important decision released last month.

That case should give employees pause, since



many too easily confuse freedom of speech with freedom from workplace consequences. Here are a few ways employees can be fired for Facebook use at work.

Spending an inordinate amount of time on Facebook while at work is tantamount to theft of an employer's time, which can amount to cause for dismissal. In these circumstances, seldom is Facebook being used exclusively for business purposes.

When Facebook postings reveal unsavoury characteristics, employees can be fired. I've had two such cases. In one, the employee's pictures of her messy workstation irked her employer so much, she was immediately dismissed. In the other, a large retail chain fired a store manager after he posted a link to a video of himself that was taken when he was off-duty, but in company uniform.

Comments about a company's clients or products can lead to dismissal. Given the value placed on confidential information, courts are more likely to respect an employer's decision to fire an employee

whose postings compromised, or even potentially compromised, a competitive advantage.

Criminal laws can also be invoked if employees harass or intimidate coworkers via Facebook. These employees can end up surfing the classifieds for a criminal defence lawyer, as well as for a new job. But it's not just Facebook use while at work that can land you in my office seeking legal advice. Facebook profiles and postings created and maintained outside of working hours and on employees' personal time can quickly derail an employee's career, if the content brings his or her employer's reputation into disrepute.

Here are some tips to keep employees out of hot water: Do not post "casually" about your job or adversely comment about other employees or your boss. Your employer can and will often monitor what you've written.

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Kid innovators are a dying breed

◆ Zach Veach, 15, created an app to stop texting and driving ◆ But experts say kid inventors are in decline



Like every teenager, Zach Veach, 15, uses a cell. But he's an innovator too. When he saw a girl in his hometown killed because she sent text messages while driving, Zach decided to invent an anti-texting application.

"When you're 16 and learning how to drive, you don't need any distractions," explains Zach, an auto racing driver from Ohio.

He has designed an app that cell users can set to automatically respond to text messages. Drivers can set their message to say "Sorry, I'm driving. I'll text you when I arrive."

Unfortunately, creative children like Zach are becoming a rarity. For decades, the Torrance test has measured kids' creativity in 50 countries. Since 1990, scores have been declining every year.

clining every year.

"There has been a sharp decrease in children's ability to produce unique and unusual ideas," says Kyung Hee Kim, professor of educational psychology at the College of William and Mary, who has analyzed 55 years of Torrance tests.

Schools take part of the blame for stressing rote learning over creative thinking, as do parents for allowing kids to stay too long in front of the screen.

"Children watch TV and play video games, which encourage limited thinking," says Dale Grubb, professor of psychology at Baldwin-Wallace College. "This trend can lead to a dangerous innovation vacuum."

Passive children may be a harbinger of a global crisis. A recent study over 50 years shows that Torrance test results are the best prediction for accomplish-



ment in adulthood.

For his part, Zach is already working on his next innovation: a cell phone app that blocks calls when the user is driving.

Given that 28% of US highway accidents last year were caused by drivers using phones, Zach stands to become a successful and wealthy man.

Recycled jewelry by girl aged 7

Maggie Batson, a sevenyear-old from North Carolina, also has a simple and clever idea: making eco-friendly jewelry from old but clean pantyhose.
"It can fit almost anywhere on your body," she

explains.

"You double it up to make bracelets and necklaces."

Maggie cuts and twists the pantyhose, decorating it with pieces of discarded jewelry. Her popular products are now selling across the US; her mom puts the proceeds into Maggie's bank account after donating 10 per cent to her

Maggie's classmates always ask her to make jewelry for them too.

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Sports in brief



Heat forward Udonis Haslem may miss the remainder of the regular season.

The Yankees
have declined to
offer salary arbitration to
captain Derek
leter.

Texas outfielder Josh Hamilton was the runaway winner of the American League's Most Valuable Player award. THE ASSOCIATED



Oilers fall prey to Bryzgalov, Coyotes

Phoenix goalie rarely tested by Oil
 Coyotes rise to 1st place in Pacific



COYOTES

OILERS

Ilya Bryzgalov made 23 saves for his 17th career NHL shutout and Martin Hanzal and Lee Stempniak each scored twice to help the Phoenix Coyotes beat the Edmonton Oilers 5-0 last night for their seventh consecutive win.

Stempniak added an assist, Wojtek Wolski had a goal and an assist, and David Schlemko and Eric Belanger had a pair of assists for the Coyotes, who moved into first place in the Pacific Division.

Phoenix earned the victory despite the absence of defencemen Ed Jovanovski and Adrian Aucoin.

Aucoin missed his second game because of a lower-body injury, and Jovanovski was sidelined by the flu.

Bryzgalov was rarely tested en route to his first shutout since March 13 at Carolina. He faced only four shots in the first period, and Edmonton generated few scoring chances throughout the game.

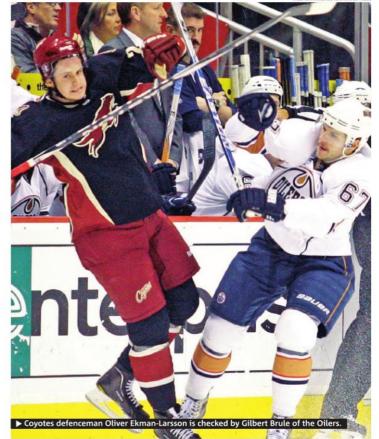
Hanzal gave Phoenix a 1-0 lead 48 seconds in. He scored into the open right side of the net when goalie Devan Dubnyk overplayed Ray Whitney at the top left corner of the crease.

Dubnyk left the net to prevent Whitney from shooting, but Whitney passed the puck to Hanzal, who was alone on the right doorstep.

Wolski made it 2-0 two minutes into the second period. He gained control of the puck along the right wing boards and skated toward the crease before beating Dubnyk with a quick wrist shot.

Dubnyk lost in regulation for the first time in five starts (1-1-3) since taking over for the injured Nikolai Khabibulin.

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Opinion

RYAN KENNEDY THE HOCKEY NEWS



ARE THE OIL DOING HARM TO DUBNYK?

Perhaps the biggest gamble made by Edmonton brass this fall came in net. Veteran Nikolai Khabibulin was naturally the No. 1 goaltender in the organization, but the 37-year-old was battling the physical toll of a life in hockey and was coming off a 2009-10 season that saw him limited to 18 appearances due to back surgery.

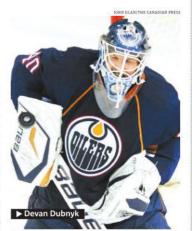
n his absence, rookies Jeff Deslauriers and Devan Dubnyk were handed the keys and promptly spent their first year in the NHL getting shelled.

It's a wonder, then, that the Oilers went with the exact same strategy this

There is one minor twist, of course. Veteran Martin Gerber was signed in the off-season, but instead of making him Khabibulin's backup — a role Gerber would be excellently suited for — the Swiss netminder was sent to the American League to backstop the fledgling Oklahoma City Barons. Dubnyk handled duties behind Khabibulin with the big club, but with the veteran down with a groin injury, the sophomore now ascends to No. 1, with Gerber as backup.

Now granted, Dubnyk did get his first win of the season against Anaheim on the weekend, withstanding a barrage of Ducks shots early on, but I'm not sure what good it does him or the franchise to once again have him thrust into the spotlight on a team that plays less than steady defence.

When Gerber was signed in August, it all made sense to me: Dubnyk and Deslauriers can get their confidence back in the AHL, while also challenging each other for time — a very healthy situation. But having Dubnyk up all season, playing in just six of the team's first 19 games,



doesn't seem like an ideal learning environment. Gerber, on the other hand, has experience on bad teams — his last NHL foray (he played in Russia last season) came at the end of Toronto's dismal 2008-09 campaign and he posted a winning record for those Maple Leafs.

Dubnyk is a project goaltender with intriguing size (he's six-foot-five) and skill. Developing on the fly didn't work last year and I'm not sure why it would this time around either.

NHL

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d-Washington	22	14	6	1	1	74	64	30	10-1-0-1	4-5-1-0	6-2-1-1	L3
d-Montreal	21	13	7	1	0	53	42	27	7-4-1-0	6-3-0-0	6-4-0-0	LI
Tampa Bay	21	12	7	2	0	65	65	26	5-2-1-0	7-5-1-0	5-5-0-0	W
Pittsburgh	22	12	8	2	0	69	59	26	5-5-1-0	7-3-1-0	6-3-1-0	W3
NY Rangers	22	12	9	1	0	65	60	25	5-6-1-0	7-3-0-0	6-4-0-0	W2
Boston	19	11	6	0	2	55	38	24	4-4-0-2	7-2-0-0	4-4-0-2	LZ
Ottawa	21	10	10	1	0	52	67	21	6-4-0-0	4-6-1-0	6-4-0-0	W1
Atlanta	21	9	9	1	2	68	73	21	5-5-0-1	4-4-1-1	4-5-0-1	W
Carolina	20	9	9	0	2	63	68	20	5-3-0-1	4-6-0-1	4-4-0-2	LZ
Toronto	20	8	9	1	2	47	55	19	6-4-1-1	2-5-0-1	3-5-0-2	W
Buffalo	22	8	11	3	0	58	68	19	3-7-1-0	5-4-1-0	5-4-1-0	L1
Florida	19	9	10	0	0	52	48	18	5-3-0-0	4-7-0-0	5-5-0-0	LI
New Jersey	21	6	13	1	1	41	65	14	2-5-1-1	4-8-0-0	3-6-0-1	W
NY Islanders	20	4	12	2	2	44	71	12	2-4-0-1	2-8-2-1	0-8-1-1	L13

WESTERN CONFERENCE

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d-Phoenix	21	11	5	4	1	62	59	27	5-2-2-1	6-3-2-0	7-1-1-1	W7
d-Colorado	20	12	7	1	0	72	60	25	6-4-0-0	5-4-1-0	7-3-0-0	W4
Columbus	19	13	6	0	0	55	44	26	6-5-0-0	7-1-0-0	7-3-0-0	W4
Los Angeles	20	13	7	0	0	61	49	26	8-1-0-0	5-6-0-0	6-4-0-0	L1
St. Louis	19	11	5	1	2	52	51	25	8-0-0-1	3-5-1-1	6-3-0-1	W2
Chicago	23	11	10	1	1	71	67	24	5-7-0-0	6-3-1-1	4-5-0-1	W1
Vancouver	20	10	7	1	2	58	56	23	6-2-0-1	4-5-1-1	5-4-1-0	L4
Anaheim	23	10	10	2	1	57	69	23	7-3-0-1	3-7-2-0	5-3-2-0	L5
Minnesota	19	10	7	0	2	46	47	22	6-4-0-1	4-3-0-1	5-5-0-0	L1
San Jose	19	9	6	4	0	55	52	22	6-3-2-0	3-3-2-0	4-3-3-0	L3
Dallas	19	10	8	0	1	57	57	21	7-3-0-1	3-5-0-0	5-4-0-1	L2
Nashville	19	9	7	3	0	47	51	21	3-1-3-0	6-6-0-0	4-6-0-0	L1
Calgary	20	8	11	1	0	59	61	17	5-5-0-0	3-6-1-0	2-7-1-0	L2
Edmonton	20	5	11	1	3	49	82	14	2-5-0-1	3-6-1-2	2-6-1-1	11

 d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's result Phoenix 5 Edmonton 0
Monday's results
Ottawa 3 Los Angeles 2
Toronto 4 Dallas 1 N.Y. Rangers 2 Calgary 1 Philadelphia 3 Montreal 2 Columbus 2 Nashville 0 New Jersey 5 Washington 0 Pittsburgh 3 Florida 2 Tampa Bay 3 Boston 1 (All times Eastern)

Vashington at Carolina, 7 p.m. Columbus at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m. Detroit at Atlanta, 7 p.m. Los Angeles at Montreal, 7:30 p.m. Calgary at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m. Boston at Florida, 7:30 p.m. Dallas at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m. N.Y. Rangers at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m. Philadelphia at Minnesota, 8 p.m. St. Louis at Nashville, 8 p.m. Colorado at Vancouver, 10 p.m. Chicago at San Jose, 10:30 n.m. Tomorrow's game Colorado at Edmonton, 9 p.m.

Washington at Carolina 7 n m

COYOTES 5, OILERS 0

COTOTES 3, First Period

1. Phoenix, Hanzal 5 (Ra.Whitney, Schlemko)

0:48

Penalty — Horcoff Edm (holding) 10:15.

Second Period

2. Phoenix, Wolski 4 (Stempniak, Ekman-Larssna)

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3. Phoenix, Stempniak 6 (Belanger, Schlemko) 17:07 (pp) — Schlemko Pho (hooking) 7:55.

Cogliano Edm (delay of game) 16:06 Third Period

4. Phoenix, Hanzal 6 (Morris, Doan) 13:45 5. Phoenix, Stempniak 7 (Belanger, Wolski)

19:09 Penalty – Upshall Pho (holding) 5:15.

Shots
Edmonton 4 12 7 23
Phoenix 16 7 11 34

Goal – Edmonton: Dubnyk (L,1-1-3); Phoenix:
Bryzgalov (W,10-2-5). Power plays (Goals-chances) – Edmonton: 0-2; Phoenix: 1-2. Att. — 9,354 (17,135) at Glendale, Ariz.

SCORING LEADERS

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Stamkos, TB	20	15	35
Crosby, Pgh	15	20	35
St. Louis, TB	8	19	27
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Ovechkin, Wash	10	16	26
B.Richards, Dal	10	15	25
D.Sedin, Vcr	12	12	24
C.Stewart, Col	11	13	24
M.Richards, Pha	9	15	24

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CFL 98TH GREY CUP

WEEK 22

Sunday's game (All times Eastern) At Edmonton Montreal vs. Saskatchewan, 6:30 p.m

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EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

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Today's games
Inter Milan vs. Twente, 2:45 p.m.
Tottenham vs. Werder Bremen, 2:45 p.m. GROUP B

GP W D L GF GA PTS 4 3 0 1 9 5 9 Schalke Benfica Hapoel Tel Aviv **Today's games** Benfica vs. Lyon, 2:45 p.m. Hapoel Tel-Aviv vs. Benfica, 2:45 p.m. GROUP C

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Today's games
Glasgow Rangers vs. Manchester United, 2:45 p.m.
Valencia vs. Bursaspor. 2:45 p.m.
GROUP D

Barcelona Copenhagen Rubin Kazan Panathinaikos

Today's games Rubin Kazan vs. Copenhagen, 12:30 p.m. Panathinaikos vs. Barcelona, 2:45 p.i

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GROUP G

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WESTERN CONFERENCE

SOUTHWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	6
San Antonio	12	1	.923	
New Orleans	11	2	.846	
Dallas	9	4	.692	
Memphis	5	9	.357	7
Houston	3	10	.231	
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L Pct 4 .714 5 .667 6 .571 6 .571 11 .267 Oklahoma City Utah Denver Portland Minnesota 1/2 2 2 61/2

PACIFIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	6
L.A. Lakers	12	2	.857	
Golden State	7	7	.500	
Phoenix	7	7	.500	
Sacramento	4	9	.308	7
L.A. Clippers	2	13	.133	10

L.A. Clippers 2 13 .133 Last night's results Indiana 100 Cleveland 89 New Jersey 107 Atlanta 101 (0T) Washington 116 Philadelphia 114 (0T) New York 110 Charlotte 107 Pullar 89 Detroit 84

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Denver 106 Golden State 89
L.A. Clippers 99 New Orleans 95

Tonight's games (All times Eastern)

New York at Charlotte, 7 p.m. Milwaukee at Cleveland, 7 p.m. Philadelphia at Toronto, 7 p.m. New Jersey at Boston, 7:30 p.m. Miami at Orlando, 7:30 p.m. Miami at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Memphis, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.
Golden State at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Chicago at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
New Orleans at Utah, 9 p.m.
Tompersons

Tomorrow's games Washington at Atlanta, 8 p.m. Sacramento at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

SCORING AVERAGE

	G	FG	FT	PTS	AVG
Durant, OKC	12	107	104	336	28.0
Bryant, LAL	14	120	100	359	25.6
Ellis, GOL	14	136	65	357	25.5
Anthony, DEN	14	127	90	356	25.4
Rose, CHI	11	109	45	277	25.2
Nowitzki, DAL	12	112	64	293	24.4
Gordon, LAC	13	102	90	307	23.6
James, MIA	14	108	99	329	23.5
Martin, HOU	13	86	105	304	23.4
Westbrook, OKC	14	102	117	325	23.2
Stoudemire, NYK	14	119	81	324	23.1
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TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE
TEXAS RANGERS—Named Thad Bosley hit-

ting coach.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

NEW YORK METS-Signed manager Terry Collins to a two-year contact.
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Agreed to terms with 1B Aubrey Huff on a two-year contract

CAN-AM LEAGUE

WORCESTER TORNADOES—Acquired C-1B Josh Banda from River City (Frontier) for a player to be named.

BASKETBALL

OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER—Signed C Nick Collison to a multiyear contract extension.

FOOTBALL

CAROLINA PANTHERS—Signed S Gerald Alexander. waived WR Devin Thomas. Signed OR Keith Null to the practice squad Placed LR Sean Ware on the practice squad injured re-

CINCINNATI BENGALS—Signed CB Fred Ben-

HOCKEY

CAROLINA HURRICANES—Acquired C Rvan Carter from Anaheim for F Stefan Chaput and F Matt Kennedy.

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS—Assigned RW COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS—Assigned RW Mike Blunden to Springfield (AHL). LOS ANGELES KINGS—Reassigned D Jake Muzzin to Manchester (AHL). Recalled D Alec Martinez from Manchester. MINNESOTA WILD—Claimed F Patrick O'Sullivance from Comiliary from Comil

van off waivers from Carolina. NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Recalled D Travis Hamonic from Bridgeport (AHL). NEW YORK RANGERS—Acquired D Stu Bickel from Anaheim for D Nigel Williams. PHILADELPHIA FLYERS—Signed LW Michael

PHILADELPHIA FLYERS—Signed LW Michael Ryan to a one-year contract and assigned him to Adirondack (AHL). PHOENIX COYOTES—Recalled D Oliver Ek-man-Larsson from San Antonio (AHL). Placed C Kyle Turris on injured reserve.

AHL

BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS—Assigned F BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS—Assigned F
Justin Taylor to Kalamazoo (ECHL). ECH
LELMIRA JACKALS—Announced F Michael
Dubuc was returned to the team by Rochester
(AHL) and F Ryan Hillier was returned to the
team by Syracuse (AHL).

LACROSSE

NLL

BUFFALO BANDITS—Signed F Tracey Kelusky to a one-year contract.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAUGE MVP

2010 - Josh Hamilton, Texas 2009 - Joe Mauer, Minnesota 2008 - Dustin Pedroia, Boston 2007 - Alex Rodriguez, New York 2006 - Justin Morneau, Minnesota

2005 - Alex Rodriguez, New York 2004 - Vladimir Guerrero, Anaheim 2003 - Alex Rodriguez, Texas

2003 - Alex Rodriguez, Texas 2002 - Miguel Tejada, Oakland 2001 - Ichiro Suzuki, Seattle 2000 - Jason Giambi, Oakland 1999 - Ivan Rodriguez, Texas

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

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Jacksonville Indianapolis Tennessee Houston	6 6 5 4	4 4 5 6	0 0 0 0	.600 .600 .500 .400	220 268 257 244	270 216 198 287
NORTH						
Baltimore Pittsburgh Cleveland Cincinnati	7 7 3 2	3 7 8	0 0 0	.700 .700 .300 .200	233 235 192 215	178 165 206 262
WEST						
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WEEK 11

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Buffalo 49 Cincinnati 31
Dallas 35 Detroit 19
Green Bay 31 Minnesota 3
Jacksonville 24 Cleveland 20
Kansas City 31 Arizona 13
New England 31 Indianapolis 28
New Orleans 34 Seattle 19 New Orleans 34 Seattle 19 N.Y. Jets 30 Houston 27

Philadelphia 27 N.Y. Giants 17 Pittsburgh 35 Oakland 3 Tampa Bay 21 San Francisco 0 Washington 19 Tennessee 16 (OT)

WEEK 12

Tomorrow's games (All times Eastern) New England at Detroit, 12:30 p.m. New Orleans at Dallas, 4:15 p.m.

New Orleans at Dallas, 4:15 p.m. Cincinnati at N. Jets, 8:20 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 28 Green Bay at Atlanta, 1 p.m. Tennessee at Houston, 1 p.m. Minnesota at Washington, 1 p.m. Mishington, 1 p.m. Carolina at Cleveland, 1 p.m. Jacksonville at N. Giants, 1 p.m. Kansas City at Seattle, 4:05 p.m. Kansas City at Seattle, 4:05 p.m. Mismist Oxidand 4:05 p.m. Miami at Oakland, 4:05 p.m. Philadelphia at Chicago, 4:15 p.m. Philadelphia at Chicago, 4:15 p.m. St. Louis at Denver, 4:15 p.m. Tampa Bay at Baltimore, 4:15 p.m. San Diego at Indianapolis, 8:20 p.m. Monday, Nov. 29 San Francisco at Arizona, 8:30 p.m.



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Ford makes a **power play** with F-150



The 2011 F-150 might look the same on the outside, but between the front fenders it's a whole new truck game.

In one lightning-strike move, Ford's top-selling hauler unleashes a drastically different powertrain lineup that, depending on your selection, allows you to travel further on a tank of gas, tote a heavier payload and pull a heavier travel trailer. There are also more safety and convenience features.

It's common for automakers to refresh their more popular models after



a two- or three-year period, but for Ford to bring out a quartet of new V6 and V8 engines is nothing short of astonishing. It will also likely send the competition back to their respective drawing boards to devise some sort of response.

Reducing fuel consumption is important to everyone, but it's of particular

importance to truck owners. These normally thirsty rigs tend to consume more than their fair share of petroleum products. Obviously any move to reel in consumption is money ahead for truckers.

On this front, Ford appears to have all the bases covered, although there are no hybrid or diesel

powertrains in the mix.

For light-duty use, the F-150 is offered with a base 3.7-litre V6 that provides 302 horsepower and 278 pound-feet of torque. The 3.7 is the first V6 available in a full-size Ford pickup since the 2008 model year.

For heavy lifting and offroading duties, the most muscular engine in the F-150 garage is a 6.2-litre V8 that puts out 411 horsepower and a road-ripping 434 pound-feet of torque.

With plenty of powertrain choices to suit a multitude of work and play applications, the F-150 stands to gain considerable ground — and credibility — in the pickup segment.

A new game

What you should know about the Ford F-150:



- Type: Two- or four-door full-size pickup truck
- ► Engines (hp): 3.7-litre DOHC V6 (302); 5.0-litre DOHC V8 (360); 6.2-litre SOHC V8 (411); 3.5-litre DOHC V6, twinturbocharged (365)
- Transmissions: Six-speed automatic
- Market Position: Ford's powertrains have not kept up with those from GM, Chrysler and Toyota, but with four new engines for 2011, it's a whole new truck game
- Safety: Front airbags; side-impact airbags; sidecurtain airbags; anti-lock brakes; traction control; stability control
- Stats: L/100 km (city/hwy) 13.7/9.3 (3.7, est.); base price (incl. destination) \$21,600

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But maybe I'll have better luck with another product that mimics the real thing: synthetic diesel.

The diesel we've all come to know is refined from crude oil, just like gasoline. Don't know if you've noticed, but lots of folks think we should scale back a bit from the 400 million gallons of gasoline we use every day in North America.

Nothing is going to replace that kind of volume overnight, but over the long haul synthetic diesel looks quite promising — especially if it's for vehicular consumption.

For one thing, modern diesel engines don't give a hoot if diesel is sourced from crude or palm oil. We can also use existing petroleum-based infrastructures (like gas stations). And when we source it from other stuff like palm oil or

natural gas, it's cleaner.

We can also source it from renewable stuff like algae, certain seeds, used cooking oil and animal fats. You can even use green matter that would otherwise go to landfill. When you use icky stuff like that, the product is called biodiesel, a form of synthetic diesel. Basically, if it doesn't come from crude, it's synthetic.

You can also make ethanol from biomass, but vehicles are more efficient running on diesel.

The Germans were the first to develop synthetic



diesel, way back in the 1920s. They developed a way to make liquid fuel from coal, a process that is still used today. Synthetic

diesel can also be made from the gunk that's in our

But its real future is tied to when we can get the

right feedstocks - feedstocks that are renewable, carbon neutral and can be produced in great whacks of volume.

Marching orders

- On Dec. 15, 2010, Canadian gasoline must contain five per cent renewable
- Starting in 2012, Canadian diesel fuel must contain two per cent biodiesel.

The best hopes so far are algae and a non-edible plant called jatropha, which has a seed that contains high amounts of oil. Jatropha is also advantageous, because it can grow in marginal soil, doesn't have to be fertilized or watered and contains only small amounts of Free Fatty Acid (FFA), which com-plicates the process to convert it to biodiesel.

But a Canadian company, called BIOX, has pioneered a way to make biodiesel from feedstocks with high FFA content, such as animal fat or crude palm oil.

In fact, BIOX's new plant in Hamilton, Ontario, is the largest continuous flow biodiesel facility in the world. It has the potential to produce 67 million litres a year. Sounds like we're get-

ting somewhere.

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Here's a kitschy number that's a must-have for any Mustang fanatic. The Bradford Exchange, purveyors of mementos and memorabilia, has introduced a Ford Mustang cuckoo clock just in time for the holiday season.

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Everyone has a favourite movie car-chase scene.

If you're old school, it

might be from Bullitt or The French Connection, and if it's a modern flavour you seek, Matt Damon's popular Bourne offerings might work.

While tastes vary, these unbelievable sequences often beg the question, "How did they do that?"

On Nov. 25, cable TV

to answer that question during its two-hour special called Hollywood's Hottest Car Chases. It's "sausage making" that's often not publicly discussed.

"In every production, I think there's always a separation between the vision of the creators and the actual physical capabilities of what can be done, especially when it comes into something as stylistic as drifting, where there's an attitude being expressed in the driving," said Holly-wood stunt driver and twotime Formula D drift champion, Tanner Foust.

"The style is almost like acting. It's part of the character's style. When you're working with over-the-top characters, you have to take that vision into your driving. Sometimes that's physically possible, sometimes it's not.'

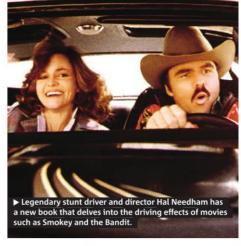
Foust, who also stars in TV shows Battle of the Supercars on cable channel SPEED and Top Gear USA, is sought after for superior car control and has provided his skills for hit movies such as The Bourne Ultimatum, The Fast and The Furious 4 and The Dukes of Hazard. Even with all the precautions taken, the unexpected can still be alarming.

"They digitally made the cliffs much steeper than they really were, but have no doubt, if you went off, you weren't going to walk away during the production," Foust says. "That was a little surprising to see how redangerous



do enhance on-screen effects, like allowing for better car manoeuvrability and ease of control.







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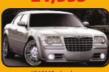
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Looking at a tire, you may think the tread is just a random pattern. In reality, squiggles grooves are a major part of the tire's engineering, with each pattern specifically designed for the tire's

intended use.
A new tire from Cooper. the Discoverer S/TMaxx, takes it a step further with little serrated steps at the edges of the tread blocks. Looking almost like a tiny flight of stairs, the steps help prevent small stones from wedging into the tire. The S/TMaxx is intended for light trucks and SUVs.

'This is a true commercial grade for the toughest conditions," says Steve Sawyer, director of brand and product management for Cooper Tire & Rubber. "This is a tire for people who live in mining com-munities or work in quar-

Tires in heavy-duty use run the risk of punctures from sharp objects, and Cooper Tire further reinforces this tire's sidewalls with an angled ply — one of the layers that makes up the tire — that tightens it

Getting traction

Think you know the difference between summer and winter tires? Find out the here.

Rubber Tire traction is a combination of the compound — the rubber and other materials from which it is made - and the tread design. On a winter tire, softer compound grips cold asphalt, while an aggressive design channels snow and slush out from under the tire. Summer performance tires use a firmer compound so they won't get too soft in the heat, and their tread is designed to provide better traction when cornering. The tread is the part of the tire that touches the road. It's divided into "blocks," rubber segments that provide grip, and which are separated by grooves that help to move water out of the way. Each tread block has tiny slits cut into it. These are called sipes, and they help keep the tread blocks flexible so they can grip the road better. The edge of the tire is called the shoulder: it provides stability when cornering. The side of the tire is called the sidewall, while the part that meets the wheel rim is the bead.

and makes it less likely that any sharp items can work their way through the wheel.

As a final protective feature, the tire has small rubber bars between the

tread blocks, called ejector

ribs.

If a stone does manage to work its way past the serrated steps, the ribs help push the stone back out on to the road as the

tire turns.

A drawback to aggressive tread patterns is that they tend to be noisy when driving, and engineers have to design the tread to maintain a balance between tire performance and road noise.

"This optimized for both," Sawyer says.

'This tire is quiet, despite its aggressive pat-

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Subaru's Tribeca launched for the 2006 model year as the largest vehicle from the Japanese automaker. A crossover SUV with seating for up to seven, the controversial-looking Tribeca competed with numerous other family-friendly utes like the Honda Pilot, Ford Edge and GMC Acadia.

Like most of its competition, the Tribeca offered five doors, six-cylinder power and All Wheel Drive (AWD). All Tribeca models get the same flat-six engine, automatic transmission with manual mode and Symmetrical AWD system as standard. Power was rated at 250 horsepower for the 2006 model and 245 for 2007. If you're

The specs

- MODEL: 2006 to 2007 Subaru Tribeca
- ➤ VEHICLE TYPE: Crossover SUV
- APPROXIMATE USED PRICE RANGE: \$15,000 to \$19,000

looking for a V8 engine or towing capacity of more than 3,500 pounds, you'll have to shop elsewhere.

With a spot in the pricier and more upscale part of the marketplace, all Tribeca models also got dual-zone climate control, a sunroof, power everything, and heated, poweradjustable cloth seats.

What Owners Like

Owners tend to rave about futuristic and daring styling, abundant interior space, uniqueness, and a comfortable, quiet and relatively sporty ride and handling equation. Wintertime traction is also



highly rated, especially with snow tires on board. One member of a Subaru Tribeca owner's forum said he "never once felt at risk" in bad weather.

What Owners Hate

Numerous owners wished for more power, and often griped about the models' requirement that it be fed premium fuel. Other complaints included a small glove-box and easily scratched paint and interior panels.

▶ Tribeca offered five doors, six-cylinder power and AWD, with five- or seven-passenger seating configurations.

Common Issues

Subaru's been known to build a solid and reliable power train, and the Tribeca seems to be no exception. A well-maintained Tribeca should prove a trustworthy companion.

Computer or sensor failures aren't unheard of, and that these issues will tend to be apparent from the get-go on a test drive. Check the instrument cluster for any Check Engine lights or AWD system warning lights, which could indicate a problem.

The Verdict

Where possible, a dealercertified used model will be your best bet — though a dealer checkup can add peace of mind to a private sale. Find a good price on a Tribeca that's been well taken care of, and you'll likely enjoy worry-free, confident and upscale travels.







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Today's horoscope

T Aries March 21-April 20

Venus, planet of harmony, in your opposite sign will help you get along with colleagues today. For once, they don't see you as pushy or overly concerned with getting results.

¥ Taurus April 21-May Read between the lines and try to imagine what someone's motives may be before judging them on their words or actions. It could be that they are caught between a rock and a hard place.

II Gemini May 22-June 21 Be decisive. You don't have much time to play with today, so decide what your number one aim is and go for it. Personally and professionally there's a lot up for grabs - so grab it.

G Cancer June 22-July 22 Take good care of your health today because the planets warn you could do yourself damage if you push too hard. That applies to exercise as well as to work: take it a step at a time.

Ω Leo July 23-Aug.23 Mars in the most dynamic area of your chart will help you get something finished. You have taken too much time already, so now step up a gear and get it out of the way. Then have fun.

TV Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 If people ask for your opinion today you must be honest, even if what you have to tell them is not what they were hoping to hear. Anyway, they should know by now you are not the sort to pull punches.

← Libra Sept. 23-0ct. 23 A lot of changes taking place at the moment are for the better. But there is one change you still have doubts about and those doubts will increase today. Start looking for an exit clause.

M Scorpio oct. 24-Nov. 22 Get your financial house in order. quickly. Fortunately, with both the Sun and Mars moving through the money area of your chart, you are in one of your imperious moods. You'll make it happen

→ Sagittarius

Nov. 23-Dec. 21 You need to hurry things along today. People have been dragging their feet. If you don't get a grip of the situation they will hold you back till the end of the week

り Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Partnerships of a romantic nature, should go well for you today. It's not true that Capricorn lacks passion and you will go out of your way to prove it

over the next 24 hours.

Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Lady Luck is on your side and you would be a fool not to take advantage. If someone points out the possibilities of a new venture you should give it some serious thought. There is serious money to be made.

H Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

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